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The 1914 Oil and Gas Corporation, composed of Durant men, now has eight producing oil wells in the Haldton oil field, numbers seven and eight having been brought in last week. The total production of both the new wells is said to be about six hundred barrels per day. This gives the company a daily production of about 1500 barrels from all its eight wells. Number nine is being drilled now and is in the sand, and will probably be brought in within a week.

Reports circulated again last week that a sale of the company's holdings had been made, seem again to be groundless, although officials of the company admit that a large oil concern had made them an offer of close to four hundred thousand dollars for their property.

Monday night after C. A. Moore, who lives in the B. J. Johnson house on North Third Avenue, had retired for the night, he went back down for something, and, smelling the odor of gas, he investigated and found a gas leak on the floor under the kitchen range. Several buckets of water were required to put out the blaze. The gas had not gone down stairs and it is possible that the entire rear end of the house would have been ablaze had it not been discovered. The damage was slight.

Mrs. Edna T. Watkins, of Chickasha, is the first woman to announce as a candidate for an office in the coming election. Mrs. Watkins has been a deputy in the county clerk's office for eight years and now announces for court clerk of Grady County. Up to the present time no woman has ever been nominated or elected to an office in Grady County.

The grand jury meets next Monday morning by order of the District Court to investigate various sorts of violations of the law in the city and county, and many witnesses from all parts of the county have already been summoned to appear before that body.

It is believed at the grand jury will be given instruction to investigate the murder of Pauline Ansel, which occurred here in the fall of 1914, and the killing of Wilkard and Homer Jones, while resisting arrest by a sheriff's posse on the Washita River several months ago. No official announcement to this effect has been made, but hints dropped from several sources make it appear certain that such instructions will be given to the grand jury. The matter comes as a distinct surprise here.

Practically every teacher in the local public schools and Normal will leave Friday night for Hugo to attend the first annual session of the Southeastern Oklahoma Educational Association, which meets there Friday and Saturday. The S. E. Normal will have an elaborate exhibit advertising the school at the meet. President Faulkner of the Normal, and Superintendent Farris of the public schools are on the program for addresses.

Roy McDaniel was buried at Wade Sunday. His brother lives at Wade, and Roy had made his home with him up to about four years ago, when he joined the navy. A few weeks ago he was taken sick and was sent to the hospital at Denver, where he died on the day his four years in the navy were up. His body was shipped to Bennington, arriving there last Saturday.

The United States Senate Committee on Indian Affairs this week voted favorably upon the amendment to the Indian Appropriation bill for a per capita payment of \$300 to the Choctaws and \$200 to the Chickasaws, and the bill was thus reported to the Senate for action Wednesday. Since then no word has been received here from Washington as to any action "at may have been taken on the floor of the Senate.

Since then another amendment has been made to the bill for a payment of \$300 a head on the Seminole Indians. Senator Owen has expressed the opinion that the bill will pass the Senate. If so, the money should be available by the middle of June.

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